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Hi there...

I am not liking what you are doing to the software industry. Microsoft continues to distribute its products with a FAKE system for preventing software coping. While Microsoft has done wonders for personal computers in general I still have a very big question.

I have attended a MCSE course where I was basically instructed to not help business. Please read the Microsoft Press course books (1999-2000).... At the MCSE course my Microsoft certified trainer gave me a copy of the 'Trendcender' software with a Visual Basic crack so one could use this software for free.

To make matters worst, I was going to purchase a copy of XP from a shop here in Australia but currently I will not do so. It is cheaper to get copies that are illegal than the real product. Currently in Oz there are 2 or more copies of the new XP system being distributed. I have reported this to Microsoft who has not to my knowledge taken any action...

I surfed into Yahoo chat the other night to listen to music (like napstar) and found that FireFox and Michael have copies, and they have 'never paid a cent for any product'. To someone who has more than \$10,000 in software, like myself, this really is not good.

Editions of software I have been able to find people giving away are:

Microsoft XP Edition - Corporate Microsoft XP Office with FrontPage - Enterprise Edition. Microsoft XP Business Edition Microsoft XP Plus

This is just the tip of the ice burg. I wonder if Linux can fight back considering Microsoft personal have made it very clear that they do not like free software. So I guess they are now distributing there software for free, illegally, to wipeout others who have invested in softwares.

I am going to send most of the software I have been able to collect to Mr. Gates along with my exam tickets for the MCSE course I was doing. I want servers to run my business and I do not want Administrators to run my servers... This is not productive and does not allow myself to direct funds to areas where funding should be directed.

Also I would like to know about the Microsoft Product Life Time Cycle - seems a good way for one to totally disregard the earth. I can only hope if I ever have the same choice that I would not do what is being done.

If you tack onto this the anti-trust case, well is there any point in supporting software makers? This type of terror should be outlawed and is not condoned by myself or others. The question is what are you doing to help? (not a lot from where I stand)

Thankyou for your time

Sincere regards, Jason Robinson JRobinson@KitchenPages.com Kitchen.Pages@Bigpond.com